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Dear Dr. Fraenkel-Conrat,

When I got back I found my X-ray apparatus in need of considerable repair, so waited to write to you until it was in working order. It is now working well, and I am writing to let you know that I should be extremely grateful for an opportunity to study any heavy-atom derivative of T.M.V. at any time that you have any available. In particular, I think we agreed that it would be useful to look first at T.M.V. with I in the -SH position. But any other derivative in which the foreign body fixed is either present in large quantity or contains a heavy atom would be of interest.

I enjoyed very much the discussions which I had with you and your colleagues, and came away from Berkeley with plenty of fresh ideas. I shall let you know later of any results that may emerge from them.

Thank you for your help.

Yours sincerely,

Rosalind Franklin.